

ZACCHAEUS AND JESUS

LUKE 19:1-10

I wonder how Zacchaeus felt when Jesus called him by name?
I wonder what Zacchaeus thought when Jesus called his name?
I wonder what Jesus and Zacchaeus said as they walked together?
I wonder why the people were so upset with Jesus as he went to Zacchaeus' house?
I wonder why this story is important for us to know?

What do you wonder?

PRESCHOOL STORY RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

Zacchaeus in a Tree

What you Need: White construction paper, and brown crayons or markers, green tissue paper squares, glue sticks, and small people cut-outs or smiley face stickers.

What You Do: Trace your forearm and hand onto a piece of construction paper. Color the tracing of your arm and hand brown to make a tree trunk and branches. Then glue the green paper "leaves" around the branches. Draw Jesus and Zacchaeus figures and cut or tear them out. Or use smiley stickers. Put Zacchaeus in the tree and Jesus on the ground. When finished, use your pictures to retell the story.

Jesus knew Zacchaeus' name. He knows my name!

What You Need: Large pieces of construction paper in various colors, markers or crayons, glue, and stickers or an assortment of collage materials, such as glitter, beans, macaroni, colored cereal, sequins, confetti, small pompoms, etc.

What You Do: Write your child's name in large letters on their paper. Let them use the collage materials to decorate their name. As they work, review the story. Remind them that just like Jesus knew Zacchaeus' when he saw him in the tree, he knows each of them and can call them by name. For younger children, help each one trace his name with glue. Then give them the collage materials to put on the glue.

ELEMENTARY RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

Jesus Knows My Name Acrostic Poem

Using the first letter of the words below write out words or sentences that tell a story about your relationship with Jesus. Think about how much Jesus loves you, how he reflects God's nature, and how we are all on the journey to Easter and Jerusalem with him. (Remember a poem doesn't have to rhyme, but it does tell a story.)

Suzetta is going to start her poem like this...

(If you want to share your poem with your Highland friends, take a picture and send it to Suzetta -- suzetta@highlandchurch.org)

How will you begin?

Just this morning, I was thinking about how much I love God.

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IF JESUS CAME TO MY HOUSE...

Art Response

Imagine what it would be like if Jesus came to your house. What would you do? What would you say?

Illustrate your ideas with a collage, painting, sculpture or drawing. If you want to share your creation with your friends at Highland, take a picture and send it to Suzetta.